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MEXICAN QUAIL SENT TO ITALY

The recent shipment of 2,928 Mexican quail to the University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, for restocking purposes, was the first large consignment of such birds made to a European country, according to the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture. The quail were brought in from Mexico at Brownsville, Tex., and were shipped through an American importer on February 28.

Reports from quail inspectors on the Mexican border indicate that 70,321 birds were brought in up to March 30. Revolutionary activities in Mexico interfered with quail importations during the week ending March 9, through cessation of railroad transportation, but with restoration of the lines, importations will probably resume normal proportions during the remainder of April.

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